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SUBJECT: AMERICAN PARTICIPATION DESIRED IN MALAGASY MEDICAL
CONGRESS

1. SUMMARY: A MEDICAL CONGRESS IS BEING HELD IN
ANTANANARIVO FROM OCTOBER 3 TO 9 AT WHICH MALAGASY GOVERN-
MENT AND MEDICAL AUTHORITIES WOULD WELCOME AMERICAN
PARTICIPANTS. PROCEEDINGS ARE TO BE ENTIRELY IN FRENCH
AND ALL COSTS ARE TO BE MET BY PARTICIPANTS. SUGGEST
USICA CONSIDER MEETING PARTIAL COSTS IF NECESSARY TO
ENCOURAGE AMERICAN ATTENDANCE. END SUMMARY.

2. ALTHOUGH ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS CONFERENCE MADE LAST
FEBRUARY THERE HAS NOT YET BEEN ANY RESPONSE FROM ANY
AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS OR INDIVIDUALS. COMMENT: WE
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BELIEVE FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE CONCERNING THIS CONFERENCE
WAS FORWARDED TO DEPARTMENT BY EMBASSY EARLIER THIS YEAR
BUT UNFORTUNATELY CAN FIND NO REFERENCE. WE ARE NOT
AWARE OF WHAT OTHER PUBLICITY HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR THIS
CONFERENCE. AT ANY RATE, EVEN AT THIS LATE DATE, WE
WOULD APPRECIATE APPROPRIATE PUBLICITY BEING GIVEN
THIS EVENT IN AMERICAN MEDICAL CIRCLES. AS AMERICAN

ATTENDANCE WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS, PAO RAZI AND I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR USICA TO FUND SOME OF COSTS, IF THAT WOULD MAKE POSSIBLE AMERICAN PARTICIPATION, AS WAS DONE LAST YEAR FOR PROFESSOR RAYMOND KENT'S ATTENDANCE AT 75TH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONIES OF MALAGASY ACADEMY. THIS MESSAGE BEING REPEATED TO PARIS AND OAU POSTS IN CASE THERE MAY BE FRENCH SPEAKING AMERICAN DOCTORS THERE WHO WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING.

3. SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED:

- GASTRODUODENAL ULCER
- HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE
- PANCREATITIS
- REORGANIZATION OF TRANSMISSABLE DISEASE PREVENTION
- ANATOMY & ANTHROPOMETRY IN THE MALAGASY SUBJECT
- PROBLEMS OF HEMATOLOGY IN MADAGASCAR (DREPANOEYTMIA, MEDULLARY APLASIA, GANGLIONARY HEMATOSARCOMA)
- DRINKING WATER PROBLEMS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
- REASONS FOR VISUAL DEFICIENCIES IN MADAGASCAR (EXOPHTALMOS. CARUM TUMOR)
- GENERAL MEDICINE: GENERAL & SOCIAL PEDIATRICS
- SURGERY & SPECIALIZATION
- "O.R.L.", OPHTALMOLOGY, STOMATOLOGY, NEUROLOGY
- PUBLIC HEALTH & BASIC SCIENCES

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4. IN ADDITION THERE WILL BE SIDE TRIPS OF TOURISTIC INTEREST ARRANGED, ALL AT PARTICIPANT'S EXPENSE, BUT WITH SOME INTERESTING PACKAGE DEALS. THERE IS ALSO A PACKAGE DEAL AVAILABLE FOR WHOLE CONFERENCE INCLUDING PARIS-ANTANANARIVO ROUND-TRIP.

5. WE WILL BE GLAD TO FORWARD MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO ANY POSTS WHO MAY KNOW OF POTENTIAL CANDIDATES. BARRETT

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